

## House Resolution No. 563

**Whereas**, Missouri State Representative Betty L. Thompson and all officials of The Great State of Missouri wish to support The Saint Louis Ambassadors in their efforts to honor our forefathers and officially celebrate both the 200-year anniversary of "The Louisiana Purchase" initiated by then-President Thomas Jefferson in 1803, which gave birth to our state, as well as the 100-year anniversary of the St. Louis "1904 World's Fair & III Olympiad", which was headed by former Missouri Governor David R. Francis and held in Forest Park which helped place Missouri and St. Louis in the world spotlight at the turn of the century; and

**Whereas**, this legislative body wishes to recognize the great leadership of The Saint Louis Ambassadors; St. Louis City Mayor, Francis Slay, and St. Louis County executive, Buzz Westfall, who are the Co-Chairmen of The Saint Louis Ambassadors, along with the organization's President, Frank A. Ferrara; Executive Vice President, Stuart Lindley; Treasurer, Richard M. Flom; and its executive Director, James R. Olsen together with their Executive Committee and Board of Directors who will help direct these celebratory efforts; and

**Whereas**, The Saint Louis Ambassadors have established the "2004 World's Fair Centennial Celebration Committee" spearheaded by Arthur A. Clyne, Jr., and Co-Chaired by Cicardi A. Bruce, Jr., and Richard T. Pisani, who have been given the task to lead a series of events over the next three years to honor, recognize, and salute the efforts of our forefathers in proper fashion; and

**Whereas**, the "2004 World's Fair Centennial Celebration Committee" has appointed the following members to its "2004 Steering Committee" to help guide the organizations efforts: Susan Wilson-Solovic, Frank Meyer, Max Starkloff, Margaret Rambo, Stacey Hovis, Carol Ann Miller; John Bordeaux, Carl J. Bruce, Daisy Friday, Keith Dinsmore, Keith Savage, Bobbie Guy, Bob Bess, Gary Bess, Al Kerth, Mauri Speer, Ken Crecelius, Brian Montgomery, Anabeth Weil, Fay Fleming, Ellen Friesen, and Vicki Schneider:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, wholeheartedly acknowledge the achievements of our forefathers and proudly congratulate the current leaders of The Saint Louis Ambassadors "2004 World's Fair Centennial Celebration Committee", along with your Honorary Chairman Governor, Bob Holden, for the work they are about to perform;

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to be presented to The Saint Louis Ambassadors at their "2004 Kick Off" event at the Chase Hotel's "Starlight Ballroom" on March 14, 2002.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Betty L. Thompson  
District No. 72

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 563, adopted March 6, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker